

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF PUERTO RICO**

MICHELET ALCENAT

Petitioner

v.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Respondent

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**Civil No. 04-1880(SEC)**

**OPINION AND ORDER**

Before the Court is Petitioner's motion to vacate, set aside, or correct sentence pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2255 (**Docket #1**). On September 23, 2004 the Court referred this case to Magistrate-Judge Justo Arenas for a Report and Recommendation (**Docket # 5**). On April 5, 2005 Magistrate Arenas issued his report, recommending that the petition be denied and the case be dismissed with prejudice (**Docket # 7**). Petitioner has not filed any objections to the Magistrate's report and the time allotted for doing so has expired. Therefore, the Court will **APPROVE** and **ADOPT** the Magistrate's Report and Recommendation; **DENY** Petitioner's motion, and **DISMISS WITH PREJUDICE** the above captioned action.

The scope of review of a Magistrate's recommendation is set forth in 28 U.S.C. 63(b)(1)(c). This section provides that "[a] judge of the [district] court shall make a de novo determination of those portions of the report or specified findings or recommendations to which [an] objection is made." Id. However, no review is required of those issues to which objections are not timely raised. Thomas v. Arn, 474 U.S. 140 (1985), reh'g denied, 474 U.S. 1111 (1986); Borden v. Secretary of Health, 836 F.2d 4, 6 (1<sup>st</sup> Cir. 1987). In fact, a party who fails to file any objections to the Magistrate Judge's Report and Recommendation within ten days of its filing waives his or her right to appeal from this order. Henley Drilling Co. v. McGee, 36 F.3d 143, 150-51 (1st Cir. 1994). See also Rule 72 (d) of the Local Rules for the District of Puerto Rico.

Neither party has objected to the Magistrate Judge's Report and Recommendation,

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thus we are not required by law to review it. However, upon review, we find no fault with Magistrate Judge Arenas' assessment and thus **APPROVE** and **ADOPT** his Report and Recommendation as our own. Consequently, Petitioner's motion is **DENIED** and the above captioned action will be **DISMISSED WITH PREJUDICE**. Judgment shall be entered accordingly.

**SO ORDERED.**

In San Juan, Puerto Rico, this 25<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2005.

S/ *Salvador E. Casellas*  
SALVADOR E. CASELLAS  
United States District Judge